

Why don't you join us for the voluntary disaster prevention organization in our town?

What is the meaning of the Voluntary Disaster Prevention Organization?

In order to "protect our own community by ourselves," local residents of Ibaraki City have voluntarily established a disaster prevention organization. 29 groups have been at work in Ibaraki, and in order to take action immediately in the case of a disaster, they have prepared vaults and emergency equipment in primary school districts.

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Main Activities

In the case of a large-scale disaster, in order to keep damage at a minimum, they have conducted various activities, drills, and events regularly.



Smoke experience drills



Life-saving drills



Soup kitchen drills



Rope drills

Reassurance and Ibaraki City's Disaster Prevention Measures

Urgent Publicize Disaster Information Via an automatic central radio transmitter

The city is able to immediately send important information, such as emergency earthquake warnings, via an automatic central radio transmitter. ※You can access the latest broadcast content by calling the phone number below. 050-5433-9161 (Call charges apply)



Lifesaving Application

Disaster prevention equipment and devices for voluntary disaster prevention groups

The city lends equipment and devices necessary for rescue or initial fire-fighting to voluntary disaster prevention groups that conduct drills using this equipment in communities.



The first step to reducing damage is to create friendly relationships with your neighbors.

After the quake, the police and fire departments may not always be able to respond instantly. In order to keep damage at a minimum, you will need to cooperate with the members of your community to help save lives and fight fires.

The ones who can save you are those near you.



As the saying goes, "Water afar does not quench a fire at hand," which means that a distant river does not help to put out a fire at a neighbor's house. In times of disaster, a person nearby can save you.

About 80% of people in the Hanshin-Awaji Earthquake who could not escape on their own were helped by their families and neighbors. In the Nagano North Earthquake of 2014, although many houses were fully or partially destroyed, no one died thanks to the cooperative efforts of neighborhoods in carrying out rescue operations.

First, begin with greeting your neighbors.



In order to help each other in case of an emergency, it is important to converse with your neighbors regularly. It is as simple as saying, "Hello," or passing out neighborhood notices by hand. Building friendly relations and a sense of closeness on a daily basis encourages us to protect our beloved families and communities. Starting today, let's all strive for these types of relationships.



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Mr. Yamamura has conducted field surveys in more than 200 disaster-stricken areas. As a leading expert in practical disaster prevention and crisis management he created the slogan, "The spirit of neighbors;" that is, to help those around you. He has been active in increasing awareness of disaster prevention and crisis management.